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## RUPPERT WILL **BEGIN BREWING** 2.75 P. C. BEER

New York Plant to Lead Way for General Resumption of Manufacture.

EHRET WILL FOLLOW

Other Firms Inclined to Hold Off Until Test Case Is Settled.

ROPER ASKS FOR ADVICE

Admits Knowing of No Spe-Official Accused in Fatal cific Law for One-half Per Cent. Ruling.

Brewers in this city made preparations yesterday to resume the making of beer with 2.75 per cent, alcohol. The Jacob Ruppert Brewing Company will be the first concern to start work under the opinion sanctioning such a course which was given to the Lager Beer Brewers Board of Trade on Monday by Elihu Root and William D. Guthrie, special counsel in the fight against prohibition. The Ruppert brewery will probably proceed on this basis to-morrow and the results are promises to develop into a test case.

Col. Ruppert planned to assert his right in this way to disregard the ruling of Commissioner Roper of the Intoxicating. At the same time this was announced the Government was asked 4:45 o'clock. to cooperate with the defence in the test case brought by a minority stockholder against the James Everhard's Breweries questioning the constitutionality of the war time prohibition

"We shall take no action with regard to the brewing of 2% per cent. arrangement, however, was said by the Bureau of Internal Revenue in Washington," said William H. Edin this city yesterday.

## Roper Asks for Advice.

From Washington came the statement has authority to enforce its rule against then suggested that the attorneys ab-the sale of beer containing more than stain from summing up and submit the new needs of the nation in the one-half of one per cent of alcohol.

laws and food administration regulations. were so complicated that it would require as authoritative legal decision to clarify

The recent ruling from the bureau provided that beer containing not more than but that before sale the alcoholic content . must be reduced to not more than onewas based on precedent and on court decisions in various States. It has been used for years in collecting taxes. Comhe limit of alcoholic content for non-Intoxicating beer.

## Contention of Brewers.

The weight of this latest phase of the safety of passengers, and thereby as a sight of the brewers rests on the point result Thomas Giffeather was killed, whether beer containing 2% per cent. Thomas Giffeather was killed, you may find that the first count of the sustained.

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November 21, 1918, does not apply to on-intoxicating beers.' eague leaders are pinning their faith. they contend that the phrase prohibiting the manufacture of "beer, wine or other intoxicating mail or vinous liquors" does away will the necessity of proving that beer containing more than one-half of 1 per cent, of alcohol is intoxicating, since seer is expressly mentioned in the pro-However, Wayne said at Washington yesterday that Con gress would be urged to define intoxiliquor before the measure went into effect on July 1.

### Lawyers' Interpretation.

As matters stånd Mesers. Root and Guthrie hold that neither that act nor the law of August 10, 1917, "authorizes any executive officer of the Government determine what mait liquors are in fact intoxicating, or to prescribe any fixed test or standard for determining when mait beverages shall be deemed

point Commissioner Roper ooks for an opinion shortly from the olicitor of the Internal Revenue Bureau nd Attorney-General Palmer, and as ous statutes have been made, the Commissioner will determine what course to pursue. If those decisions uphold him in enforcing the ½ per cent rule, revenue officers will be instructed to forbid the shipment of beer from brewerles containing a larger amount of alcohol. In case such a policy is undertaken in

Continued in Bleth Price.

### U. S. to Lease 2 Islands for Canal's Protection

PANAMA, March 18.-The Cortagena correspondent of the Panama Star and Herald asserts that the United States is arranging for a ninety-nine year lease from Colombia of the islands of San Adreas and New Providence, off the north coast of Colombia, near Colon. The payment, it is asserted, will be \$40,000,000. The islands contain small cocoanut plantations, and but little agriculture is carried

on upon them.

The islands are considered to have military value, as they are immediately off the Caribbean entrance to the Panama Canal.

## BLEWITT FREED IN B. R. T. CASE 3 P. C. BEER BILL DOOMED

Wreck Acquitted in Less Than Four Hours.

MOTORMAN'S TRIAL NEXT

taining Competent Help for Road.

The jury in the Nassau County Supreme Court at Mineola which has been hearing the evidence in the trial being watched by the rest of the brew- of Thomas F. Blewitt on an indicters, as the action of the Rupperts ment charging him with manslaughter in connection with the wreck on the Brighton Beach line of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company last November, when ninety-two persons were ternal Revenue Bureau on February 6, killed, brought in a verdict of not that any beverage containing an excess guilty last night at 8:18 o'clock. With of half of 1 per cent. of alcohol was inthe jury had been deliberating since

At the conclusion of the trial Harry E. Lewis, District Attorney, announced that the next of the indicted B. R. T. officials and employees to be tried would be Edward Luciano, also known as Anthony Lewis, the motorman of the train which was wrecked. This

beer until we receive instructions from Mr. Lewis to be only tentative, but that it was likely the trial would begin on March 26. Mr. Lewis also said that wards, Collector of Internal Revenue, he did not think the law would permit the trial of Blewitt on a second indictment found by the Grand Jury in connection with the wreck.

Isaac R. Oeland, attorney for Blewitt, from Commissioner Roper that "we will moved for the dismissal of the indictmeet the issue when we come to it." ment as soon as court convened yes-Meanwhile he decided to ask the De- terday morning. This motion was department of Justice whether the bureau nied by Justice Seeger, and Mr. Oeland case to the jury on the charge of the wisdom of experience and the efficacy of BRITISH SHIP PLANE court. District Attorney Lewis, howadvisers and deputies of the department in charge of enforcing liquor laws, when the Commissioner found the various task showly after now to this arrange.

In the party in New York will not fail the party in the nation." Lewis made his plea for the State,

> The rules for the preparation and instruction of motormen were necessarily

missioner Roper admitted, however, that State laws vary and that he knew of no specific Federal law or court decision lection of motormers for trains. I charge you that he was bound to exercise the man foresight can go. If he failed in that diligence in the appointment of

are prepared to back up their claims competent, I charge you that it was unwith testimony by experts and with lawful to appoint him. If he did not ourt decisions. Relying on assurances know or omitted to exercise the highest degree of care and failed to learn of his forget for competency, the charge has been borne out. If Lewis was competent and knew out. If Lewis was competent and knew convention system of choosing candi-how to operate the train, it matters not dates, for county committees all over the ENGLAND SETS AERIAL RECORD. why or how he was selected. If he was State have gone on record as opposing competent, but his careless actions the present primary system and asking and March 4, 1919, authorize the use of competent, but his careless actions the present primary system. ain and other food products in the caused the wreck, the charge cannot be a return to the convention

Justice Seeger cautioned the jury that On-intoxicating beers.

It is to that act that Anti-Saloon petent motormen were put in charge of trains on the day of the wreck should ide only whether Lewis was incompe- else

## B. R. T. EMPLOYEES MEET.

league, Effort Made to Enroll Them in National Association.

> all night meeting was held in Arcadia Hall, Halsey street, near Broadway, Brooklyn, last night in an effort to enroll men and women employees of the B. R. T. in the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America, which made an unsuccessful attempt to unionize surface car, elevated and subway employees in Manhattan in the sum William Collins, general organizer of the American Federation of Labor, who was chairman, said that 4,000 of the B. R. T.

> workers had already secretly joined the union.
>
> Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, accused "hirelings of the B. R. T." of "attempting to break up the meeting" when his remarks were interrupted from the rear of the hall. Capt. Kane and reserves from the Ralph avenue station were present, but there was no disorder.

## G.O.P. LEADERS DECIDE TO KILL N. Y. INCOME TAX

In Conference at Albany \$25,000,000 State Levy Is Turned Down.

PRIMARIES TO STAY

Women on Executive Committee Insist on Passage of Labor Reforms.

fine State Rights as to Prohibition Laws.

Special Despatch to Tax Sus.

ALBANY, March 18 .- As a result of a onference to-day of the executive mmittee of the Republican State Judge's Charge Hinged on Ob. Committee and a conference to-night of the Republican members of the State Senate, which was expected to be far from harmonious before it ended, predictions are being made that the Legislature will kill:

The proposal of the Davenport committee for levying a State in come tax to raise \$25,000,000 needed for the State treasury.

The plan to pass a bill doing away with the present direct primary system of nominating State officers and returning to an amended form of selecting them at party State

The Walters bill to permit continued sale of 3 per cent. beer for home consumption notwithstanding the prohibition amendment to the Constitution, and await action for prohibition enforcement by the United States Congress.

The so-called liberal labor legisla tion for health insurance, minimum wage and the eight hour day for

Will H. Hays, chairman of the National Republican Committee, was expected to be at the conference of the executive committee, but wired that he was unable to attend, saying:

"There is nothing so important for the country's welfare as complete Republican success. This is no time for little things. Just as during the war, so now we have no time for petty jealousies. carping criticisms, pulling and hauling. The Republican party accepts the responsibility which comes with its new opportunities and with our eyes solely on the country's welfare we will meet be made in the next few days.

Justice Seeger began his charge to the here for this meeting was attributed London, March 18.—British aviators The omission of Mr. Hays to come "The defendant was charged to main- by some politicians to a desire to keep are to try a flight across the Atlantic. tain safe operation of trains," said the Justice, "and had the right to get competent workmen by any lawful means.

out of what might have turned into a A secretly built airplane, accompanied in the publican party fight in by Harry G. Hawker, as pilot, and Competent workmen by any lawful means.

It is presented to maintenance of the accompanied to the property of the publican party fight in by Harry G. Hawker, as pilot, and Competent workmen by any lawful means. 2.75 per cent. of alcohol could be brewed, petent workmen by any lawful means have talked about "candidates," of whom as navigator, was shipped from England there are several in Albany at this min-ute. His friends, however, say other ute. His friends, however, say other

"The defendant, as superintendent of ference. They agreed to give out nothing of what happened, except the general port the machine in the water. of Potsdam, chairman of the executive Republican leader J. Henry twenty-five hours. that diligence in the appointment of committee; Republican leader J. Henry Lewis, endangering the health and Walters of the Senate and Speaker Thad-

not than the well defined feeling to-night

## Women Upheld Primaries.

Miss Hay told the executive better to withhold action for a while

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## 'Sun' Fund Smoke Good After a Long Hike

AS the American soldiers go under review by Gen. Per-shing they ask for smokes either before or immediately after a

"hike" to the review ground. "A smoke after a hike is necessary," writes a soldier whose card is printed on page 10, "but I guess THE SUN and its friends

A card of thanks to a smoke fund donor arrived simultaneously with its author, J. V. Gray of the 107th Infantry. It's worth reading.

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### Gen. Crowder Flies to Havana in Seaplane

HAVANA, March 18,-Major-Gen. Enoch F. Crowder, Judge Advocate General of the American Army, who had been invited to Cuba by the Government to revise the election laws, arrived here from Key West this afternoon by seaplane. After landing, Gen. Crowder went aboard the American cruiser Cin-

cinnati. Gen. Crowder left Key West at 12:30 o'clock. The plane carrying Gen. Crowder was es

## PICKS U.S. FLIER FOR OCEAN RACE

Navy Department Summons Calder Says Congress Will De- Lieut.-Commander Bellinger to Conference.

GOOD-BY DINNER GIVEN

He Expects to Begin Transatlantic Trip in Few Days From Hampton Roads.

Special Despatch to THE SUN

commanding the air station of the Parliamentary fights since 1916 ap-Fifth Naval District, will attempt to parently is at hand. fly across the Atlantic Ocean in a naby the Navy Department to proceed has been trying to placate the various

A farewell dinner was given for him terially altered the bill. to-night by officers of the air station The original draft allowed the Govern

ator to pilot an airpiane under fire. He against the passage of such radical legis-flew over Vera Cruz in 1915 and was lation on such short notice.

Opponents of the measure declare it will enable the State to seize control of

up a destroyer which had several hours ize the issue as "a battle between the start on him. He is thoroughly familiar forces representing good and evil, even with the sea lanes which steamships follow in the transatiantic service.

Lieutenant-Commander Beilinger said he falt sure the flight would prove successful. He did not know where the start would be made, but intimated that Hampton Roads would probably be se-

## FOR OVERSEA FLIGHT which Secretly Built Machine is Sent

lected. Details of the flight, he said, would be arranged in Washington. He

would be arranged in Washington, mentioned that the start would pro-

to Newfoundland.

y Harry G. Hawker, as pilot, and Companied y Harry G. Hawker, as pilot, and Companied ander Mackenzie Girve, Royal Navy, as shipped from England esterday for St. John's, Newfoundland, rom which it will start at the earliest feet the approaching contest for international trade.

It is pointed out also that any interfore it.

The Senate is determined not to treat with the peace treaty and the League of Nations covenant as one document. It is regarded as nothing more nor less than tooking at the ways and communication on the part of the President to the peace of Nations covenant as one document.

discussed, and that a committee com- added, had flown 900 miles in nine hours the

in 1916.

## General Makes 172 Mile Flight to be determined by the Ministre in 74 Minutes.

PARIS, March 18 .- Major General

## FLIGHT TO BRAZIL HALTED. of Flier Near Blois.

LONDON, March 18.-A telegram received here from Paris says that Lieut, hament will vote against the present bill. of a cracked cylinder. It is said he is now in Paris and intends to start once more for Dakar in a few days.

### HOFFMANN SUCCEEDS EISNER. Minister of Worship Made Bavarian Premier.

Basel, March 18 .- Herr Hoffmann, Socialist Minister of Worship in the Eismer Government, has been elected Premier of Bavaria by the Diet, according to the Frankfort Gazette. After the lish Channel during May, June and July At the beginning of the sitting party saders declared their adhesion to the State constitution which was framed by the late Premier and acreed unanimous-

## ENGLAND'S NEW BRITISH ACCEPT LEAGUE TRANSPORT BILL AS PART OF FIRST TREATY; CAUSES TANGLE

Sir Eric Geddes Forced to TREATY ALONE, of Measure.

ANGERS ALL CLASSES

Municipalities Object to Surrender of Authority Over Projects.

CALL IT "PRUSSIANISM"

Great Parliamentary Fight can Action in Armament to Predicted Before Law Becomes Effective.

Special Wireless Despatch to TRE SEN.

LONDON March 18 - Forced by se rious labor difficulties to legislate itself into almost absolute control of every means of transport and communication, the British Government now is seeking the passage by the House NORFOLK, Va., March 18 .- Lieutenant of Commons of a ways and communi-

Sir Eric Geddes, Minister without val seaplane. He was notified to-day portfolio in the present Cabinet, who league constitution if it comes in as to Washington at once for a confer- interests, is meeting insurmountable ence. He is expected to start on the difficulties and, realizing that he canocean flight within the next few days not bring about acceptance of the will refuse to surrender the sovermeasure in its original form, has ma-

and a loving cup was presented to him. ment to take over any or all existing Doctrine; the second has to do with More than 200 naval officers were railways, harbor works, canals, docks, present to wish him godspeed. He act This proposed arbitrary power does not fit in well with the British ideas of will leave for Washington to-morrow. Individual liberty or self-government, and Lieutenant-Commander Bellinger is as a result a tremendous hue and cry said to have been the first American avi- has been raised throughout the country

He has been conducting experimental and they assert that this contemplated miles to several weeks. He flew 300 control is equivalent to the contemplated miles to several weeks. flights for several weeks. He flew 300 control is equivalent to Germanizing the miles to sea several days ago and picked British transport system. They visual-

While the bill to a certain extent would for nationalization, it would seriously afwater traffic lacks the regularity of railways shipping is vastly more expensive and the cargoes carried more costly. Therefore the great body of opponents of the measure is found among the docks,

It cannot reasonably be expected that exputive council could reverse this situsuch institutions could be absorbed or controlled by inefficient Government offi-

struction of motorism were necessarily half of one per cent. Revenue officials selected were competent it makes no minimal med that this percentage limit was based on precedent and on court was based on precedent and on court accisions in various States. It has been used for years in collecting taxes. Com-

posed of George A. Glynn, chairman of and five minutes on one-third of its by the Government, deposing the men-the State committee; Bertrand H. Snell petrol capacity, and is capable of main- who have devoted their lifetime to worktaining a speed of 100 miles an hour for ing out the many problems involved and twenty-five hours.

the British coast. He established the procedure of the railways, canals and docks, and also to establish separate that the Republicans have arranged to have any other part of North America, plans to rehabilitate the party State the distance being about 1,900 miles.

In 1316.

Newfoundland lies nearer to Europe departments under a ministry to deal with the various forms of transport, a plans to rehabilitate the party State the distance being about 1,900 miles. responsible and prominent to be in con-head of each department to be in con-legal touch with the Minister. All prohead of each department to be in con-tinual touch with the Minister. All pro-ing in their capacity as chief surgeons, the action taken will be upon its merits sistence to the point of refusing to possals for constructing new railways or. Then the peace treaty, relieved of the possals for constructing new railways or Then the peace treaty relieved and an the abandonment of existing works are encumbrance, will be considered and apto be determined by the Minister feet proved.

The excited portion of the twofold construction of the proved the proved of the proved conference with the chiefs of depart-

to show that five other alleged incompetent motormen were put in charge of trains on the day of the wreck should have no bearing on their verdict, even if the motormen had been proved incompetent, since they were required to decide only whether the motormen had been proved incompetent. Sir Eric intends to emphasize the cono-day.

The airplane had the wind behind it. their inefficient competition, while nearly all the ports were operated under officials who continually sought parliamentary power to increase their charges.

### Brazil, left Villacoublay for Dakar on FRENCH SEIZE TWO U-BOATS. Sunday, but was compelled to land near Romorantin, southeast of Blois, because The U-39, at Cartagens, Spain, Officers Using Assumed Name. Taken by Tuga.

according to a despatch from passports, vised by the Soviet Government in Germany, were issued by the Ar-Madrid. Saturday night the German submarine U-48 was sunk by a Spanish destroyer officers was a former submarine captain while attempting to escape from Ferrol. named Seidel. U-48 was sunk by a Spanish destroyer

election the Diet adjourned to give the of 1915, and at one time was reported new Premier time to form a cabinet. to have sunk the Lusitania. It was reto have sunk the Lusitania. It was reported ported later that the U-88 torpedoed the Lusitania.

# ACT AFTER WILSON TALK

Covenant Will Be Cut Out if Woven With Wilson's Peace Pact.

PLAN SEPARATE ACTION

AIM OF SENATE

Monroe Doctrine and Ameri-Be Insisted Upon.

Special Despatch to THE SEX Washington, March 18 .- Out of the confusion of statements and denials Senator Lenroot Sure Peace about the League of Nation's covenant and its probable inclusion in or exclusion from the peace treaty, Senators here have gathered that it is to be accepted as the President's purpose to weave the league constitution and the peace treaty together as hard and fast Commander Patrick N. L. Bellinger, cations bill, and one of the greatest as he can. As a result of this amendments to the constitution as proposed by Mr. Wilson' are already being dis-

> Mr. Wilson has promised it will are now being talked of by Senators, who eignty of the United States as the Wilson pact would do. The first amendment has to do with the Monroe the Army and Navy of the United

So far as the Monroe Doctrine is cocerned, it is proposed that an amendment shall be added to the Wilson pact stating definitely that nothing in the postponing peace is one that is stuffed of the United States, then I say that League of Nations constitution shall be with straw. construed in any way to mean that any European or Asiatic Power shall be per mitted to acquire any territory in the Western Hemisphere by conquest, pur the proposed League of Nations.

## Will Guard National Armament.

So far as the army and navy are con erned, this amendment would provide that nothing in the league pact shall be United States from building a navy just as large as the navy of the greatest naval power in the world and that noth- States has consistently refused to being in the league constitution shall be as large as the army of any other nation

in the world.

In both amendments under discussion is would be expressly provided also that make a separate peace with one on further action of the league or of its both of them at its own discretion.

## To Lop Off Covenant.

Cabled advices from Paris to-day in-It is asked if all the efforts made in dicated that the last attitude taken by be attached to the peace treaty as an anpendix. If this proves to be true, in-stead of the President's former threat of on the twofold document will be im-

measurably simplified If it is true that the league constitu-tion is to be merely appended to instead stead of the major one of dissection will

ratification is reached.

Opponents of the Wilson scheme now declare that fifteen Democratic Sena- fits coming to us. tors will oppose the pact in its present the Southern Democrats to take the same Cracked Cylinder Forces Landing continue on its present lines, it is asried, and the Government must have ereighty would be surrendered to alien

### GERMANS FLEE TO ARGENTINA. Former U-boat Captain Among

BARNOS ATRES, March 18 .- La Raou LONDON, March 18.—The German sub- announces that between a dozen and fif-marine U-29, at Cartagena, Spain, and teer German officers arrived here from the remaining German submarine at Amsterdam on board the steamship Ferrol have been "setsed by French tug- Frisia under assumed names. Their

> An Argentine student returning from Hamburg on the Dutch tiner also had his passport vised by the Soldiers and

gentine Consul-General in Hamburg of

December 5 of last year.

French Mission to Visit Vienna. PARIS, March 18 .- The Government has under consideration, the Temps says. YOU WILL FIND THE STEARNS HNIGHT the sending of a French mission of at 12 Central Park West.

[Ceme and see it. It's wonderful.—Asc. acutic interests in German Austria. Presen eco-

### Nevada Senate Refuses to Indorse League Pact

CARSON CITY, Nev., March 18. —By a vote of eight to four the Senate of the Nevada Legislature refused to pass a resolution indorsing a League of Na-tions "of which the United States shall be a member." The resolution was passed by the Assembly early in the season. Last week Senate tabled a resolution condemning the proposed League

## SAYS CONGRESS WILL END WAR

Can Be Concluded Without President.

Is Opposed to League of Na- treaty. tions Idea and Will Not Be Coerced.

Special Despatch to THE SEN.

WASHINGTON, March 18 .- Warning to President Wilson that his intended attempt to club the Senate into ratification of the League of Nations covenant would fail was uttered here to- to-night, said: "If the Monroe docnight by Senator Lenroot (Wis.) in an trine means, as I believe it does, that address before the Washington Commercial Club. Senator Lenroot said the "supposed club over the Senate of

"It does not seem to have occurred to the President that if he is not willing to negotiate a treaty of peace satisfactory to the American people Congress itself may and undoubtedly will pass a joint resolution declaring the war with Germany terminated."

The allied nations of Europe, including Great Britain, are bound by a formal agreement that no one of them shall conclude a separate peace but all must act together. The United come a party to this agreement alstrued as to prevent the United States though such action has been urged in from 3 o'clock in the afternoon until 6 from raising and maintaining an army England and France. The United o'clock this evening. It had been in-States is at war only with Germany tended that the meeting should occur and Austria and is perfectly free to at the "White House," but the promake a separate peace with one or

of course these two amendments are ar from being all that would be prosituation to day " and the critical situation to day " and the cri controlled by inefficient Government officials. It is asked why men who have
far from being all that would be proand magnificent docks should be compelled to make way for less representa
Of course these two amendments are
furnited States is in a most critical
situation to-day," and that it will require all of the patriotism and all of
the courage of the American people to
Great British. France and the United

ing of the formal treaty, but we are told apartment of Col. House, that the President will not permit peace. Great interest attached with Germany unless there is made as ing owing to a report that there was a part of the peace treaty the constitution of overgence in views on some of the of the League of Nations. We are told main questions to be discussed. Great that this will be done to force the Senate crowds gathered to witness the arrival accept without amendment this con- of the heads of the various Governstitution revolutionizing our Government ments.

## and its foreign and domestic policies.

Says Wilson Is in Error.

If it is true that the league constitu-tion is to be merely appended to instead of woven into the peace treaty. Senators said to-day only a minor operation invoting for the constitution of the League amendment terminating racial disnecessary. This operation is expected of Nations, and I am sure the Senate crimination. Their purpose to renew to be quick and successful, with Sena- will not be. The proposed constitution their offer of the amendment was not tors Lodge (Mass.) and Knox (Pa.) act- will be considered upon its merits and accompanied by any intimation

document, these Senators declars, will pass a joint resolution declaring the war the neutrals have a hearing then come in for separate consideration, at an end, then consider the League of toucher the neutrals have a hearing at an end, then consider the League of to-day was fixed for 3 o'clock Thurs then come in for separate consideration. If it proves impossible to amend it to Nations pact separately, Senator Lencouve the denationalizing features of root said: "By this course the United it, it will be defeated when the vote on States will lose nothing, for the obligation of the course of the conference Mr. Lloyd George made known the fact tions imposed upon us by the proposed that he probably would be able to releague far outweigh any possible bene- main for the concluding work on the

"While I am in favor of a League of Nations at this time it is proper to point opinion existed on the financial terms to recent opinions of some very eminent of the treaty. White no authoritative gentlemen. I first quote from a speech statement was made there is reason to as follows: 1

There are just as vital things stirring now that concern the exist-ence of the nation as were stirring then (the early days of the republic) conception of what it means that America should live her own life Vashington saw it when he wrote his Farewell Address. It was not merely because of passing and tran-sit circumstances that Washington said that we must keep from en-

## tangling alliances.

'It was because he saw that no country had yet set its face in the same direction in which America had set her face. We cannot form allinnes with those who are not gazing our way, and in our might and majniteness of our own purpose we need

Conference With Clemenceau and Lloyd George

'BIG FOUR' HEADS MEET

Precedes Announcement.

No Final Action Until All Questions Are Threshed Out.

RACIAL MATTER ARISES

Japanese Delegates Press Point After Main Issue Is Settled.

By the Associated Press. Panis, March 18 .- Lord Robert Cecil. the British authority on the League of Nations, after a conference with Premier Lloyd George to-night, declared in behalf of the British delegation that RESOLUTION THE METHOD the League of Nations covenant, in the opinion of the delegation, should be incorporated in the preliminary peace

> His announcement followed an important conference this afternoon among President Wilson, Premier Lloyd George and Premier Clemen ceau, the conference taking the place of the session of the Supreme War Council, which will be held to-morrow Lord Robert Cecil, while discussing the League of Nations covenant with British and American correspondents there ought to be no interference with affairs on the American continent by European Powers without the consent

> the doctrine is strengthened by the League of Nations." Announcement was made at decisions had been taken but that all the main questions surrounding the Peace Conference had been discussed. that the meeting had been entirely satisfactory and that there had been no change in the plans previously an

of Nations. The conference was extended lasting was changed and the con ferees gathered in the apartment of

keep the American principles and States. During the meeting Capt ideals from destruction.

Andre Tardieu of the French peace
"The great war has been won," said oelegation and M. Loucheur, French he. "Peace is here except for the mak- Minister of Reconstruction, visited the

Great interest attached to the meet-

Japanese Bring Up Racial Point. "In other words," the Senator said. British and American financial ex-"the Senate is to be coerced into de-manding ratification. In my judgment close of the meeting two of the Japweaving the two together mextricably. President Wilson has once more mis- anese delegates. Baron Makino and judged the temper of the American peo- Viscount Chinds, arrived and talked ple and has misjudged the Senate. I am with Col. House, but did not join in the in favor of a League of Nations. I am conference. The Japanese desired to

made in 1914, less than five years ago, believe that the territorial question of the League of Nations figured in the deliberations. No final decisions weereached, but the general trend of the discussion was favorable and tended to discipate any apparent divergence in

## Treaty Ready in Fortnight.

That general satisfaction was foll cas indicated by the statement made at the close of the conference that the treaty doubtless would be ready to present to the Germans a fortnight from Returning to the "White House"

Fresident Wilson dined with Lord Robert Cecil and Col. House. Before the dinner Lord Robert re-

respondents and announced that it was the opinion of the British delegation that the League of Nations covenant should be incorporated in the prelimi nary peace treaty with German Lord Robert had previously expressed

ceived the British and American cor-

Continued on Fourth Page. HARTSHORNE, Make a Co., Members this as his personal opinion, let his announcement to-night was after he